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American Kennel Club Brings Good Dog Test to Trailfest

The Fairfax County Park Authority and the American Kennel Club will present the Canine Good Citizen Program at Trailfest on May 6, 2006. This program, slated for Oak Marr RECenter in Oakton, VA begins in the morning. Registration is free and starts at 8:30 a.m. with evaluations beginning at 9:30 a.m. This activity and activities throughout the day are part of the countywide celebration marking the completion of the 40-mile long Cross County Trail.

The canine program will provide an assessment of how well your dog will adapt to everyday situations while out in the community. Some tests include accepting a friendly stranger, sitting politely for petting, walking in a crowd as well as reactions to other dogs. The American Kennel Club recommends any and all dog ownwers have this evaluation completed in order to feel confident that your pet is a reliable and safe addition to your family. It's also a great chance to create a bond with your pet and have some fun.

The American Kennel Club has been offering formal obedience training since 1930 and will be sending an accredited evaluator to Oak Marr for this event. For more information about Trailfest please call 703-324-8662 or visit us online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/cct.

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